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Dear Ms. Aumiller:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Commission Regulations require that a committee disclose the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer. (11 CFR §100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR §104.7(b)(1))

Second, if the information is not provided, you must make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information, regardless of whether the

contribution(s) was solicited or not. This effort must occur no later than 30 days after receipt of the contribution and may be in the form of a written request or an oral request documented in writing. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(2))
The request must:

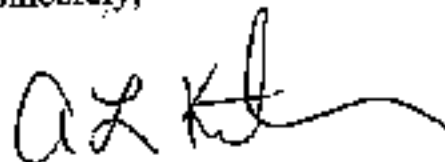
- clearly ask for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution;
- inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and
- if the request is written, include a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

Third, if you receive contributor information after the contribution(s) has been reported, you shall either a) file with your next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before your next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR §104.7(b)(4))

Please provide the missing information or a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. For more information on demonstrating "best efforts," please refer to the Campaign Guide.

A response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designation and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



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The first part of the paper discusses the importance of understanding the cultural context of the research. It highlights the need for researchers to be sensitive to the values and beliefs of the communities they are studying. This is particularly important in the field of education, where cultural differences can significantly impact learning outcomes. The paper then moves on to discuss the challenges of conducting research in culturally diverse settings. It notes that researchers often face difficulties in finding appropriate research methods and in interpreting the data they collect. Finally, the paper offers some suggestions for how researchers can overcome these challenges and conduct more effective research in culturally diverse settings.

One of the main challenges of conducting research in culturally diverse settings is the lack of appropriate research methods. Many of the methods that are commonly used in research, such as surveys and interviews, may not be appropriate for all cultures. For example, surveys may not be as effective in cultures where people are more likely to respond to questions in a social context. Similarly, interviews may not be as effective in cultures where people are more likely to share information in a group setting. Researchers need to be aware of these differences and develop methods that are appropriate for the cultures they are studying. This may involve using a combination of different methods, or it may involve developing new methods that are specifically designed for the cultures in question.

Another challenge of conducting research in culturally diverse settings is the difficulty of interpreting the data that is collected. Researchers need to be able to understand the cultural context of the data in order to interpret it correctly. This can be a difficult task, as it requires a deep understanding of the culture and its values. Researchers may need to spend a significant amount of time learning about the culture before they can begin to interpret the data. This can be a time-consuming process, but it is essential for ensuring that the research is valid and reliable. Researchers should also be aware of the potential for bias in their interpretation of the data, and should take steps to minimize this bias.

In conclusion, conducting research in culturally diverse settings is a challenging task. Researchers need to be aware of the cultural context of the research and to develop appropriate research methods. They also need to be able to interpret the data correctly, which requires a deep understanding of the culture. By following these guidelines, researchers can conduct more effective research in culturally diverse settings.